GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:236
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DISTRICT RURAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to disband the District Rural Development Agencies;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the manner in which the Government plan to disburse Central funds to Panchayat Raj institutions?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in Reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 236 for answer on 30th July, 2002.

While there is no proposal, at present, to disband the District Rural Development Agencies, under the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) whose implementation commenced last year, the funds are made available to the Panchayati Raj Institutions at all the three levels. The SGRY Stream-I funds are released to the Zilla Panchayats and the Intermediate Panchayats in the ratio of 40:60 and the SGRY Stream-II funds entirely to the Village Panchayats.